

UNCLE JOHN'S DROLLERIES.

# MISS MOUSER'S TEA PARTY.



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MISS MOUSER was a jet black cat,

Her mother's darling child;

A playful kitten, full of fun,

With white face, meek and mild.

To please her pet, mamma resolved

The neighbors to invite

To tea and dancing; and sat down

The needful notes to write.

She sent them out by Puss in Boots,

Who had a postman's place;

He wore a fine new uniform

Of red, trimmed with gold lace.



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And all the kittens and the cats  
In country and in street,  
Were very glad to send back word  
That they'd be at the treat.

Pussy Cat Mew alone said "No;"  
For our poor ancient friend  
"Had not had time," she mewed, with tears,  
"Her petticoat to mend!"

Said Puss in Boots, "Costumes are cheap,  
And I will gladly pay  
The price of one, rather than you,  
Old friend, should stay away."

Now very busy are our friends  
In making creams and cake;  
And with the jellies and blanc mange  
Kitty great pains must take

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For Mrs. Mouser says she thinks  
That kittens ought to know  
How things are made, that to their cooks  
They may good methods show.

Miss Mouser tries to do her best;  
But now and then she dips  
Her whiskers in the bowl of cream,  
And just the least drop sips!

The happy day arrives at last,  
And Mrs. Mouser stands,  
With Kitty by her side, to bow  
And shake their old friends' hands;

For so they chose to call their paws  
Once in a way, you see;  
For Pussies like to be quite grand  
When they go out to tea.







MISS MOUSER'S TEA PARTY.

The tea was ready very soon;

The table *was* a sight!

With tea and coffee, cakes and cream,

Muffins, and flowers, and light.

And all enjoyed the charming feast,

And chatted, laughed, and purred,

And not a single frown was seen,

And not a cross word heard.

Then after tea they played at games;

But one proud, silly cat,

Because she once had "seen the Queen,"

In lonely grandeur sat.

At blindman's buff, both old and young

Played with loud joke and shout,

And often pulled poor blindman's tail,

And twisted him about.

*MISS MOUSER'S TEA PARTY.*

Round dances followed, and quadrilles,  
And lancers---when once more  
Pussy Cat Mew, that careless cat,  
Her fine new ball dress tore!

Her old mamma was quite put out,  
And said, "You'll have no milk---  
Just as I told you years ago---  
Until you mend your silk."

Now supper came, and all were glad  
To rest awhile and eat;  
The game they all thought excellent;  
The cream was quite a treat.

After their supper, one more dance  
They voted would be fun;  
And "Sir Roger de Coverley"  
Was danced by old and young.



*MISS MOUSER'S TEA PARTY.*

Miss Mouser danced with grandpapa,  
Whose whiskers were quite gray;  
Even the cat "who'd seen the Queen"  
By Tom was led away.

Then came good-bye. "We've really had  
A most delightful treat!  
And we must hope that very soon  
Our friends again will meet."





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